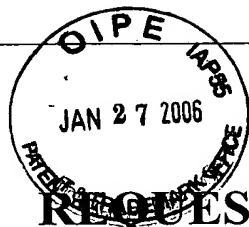


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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)

TRANSMITTAL FORM (37 C.F.R. § 1.114)

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This is a **request for continued examination** under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (RCE) of pending application Serial No. 09/831,722, filed on September 6, 2001, entitled **DEVICE AND METHOD FOR PRODUCING A LOCAL PLASMA THROUGH MICROSTRUCTURE ELECTRODE DISCHARGES USING MICROWAVES**

The following constitute the submission **required** by 37 C.F.R. § 1.114(a) and is attached:

- ☒ Amendment in response to Final Office Action dated May 31, 2005.
☐ Information Disclosure Statement
☐ Drawing Changes
☐ Other Submission: _____

1. The filing fee for this RCE and the required amendment/submission is calculated below. The fee below is calculated based on the status of the claims after the entry of the attached Amendment/submission. The fee for any new additional claims is included with this RCE, the fee for previously entered additional claims having already been paid.

| | CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | MINUS | HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | PRESENT NUMBER EXTRA* | RATE (\$) PER CLAIM | FEE (\$) |
|-----------------------------|--|-------|---|---|---------------------------|-----------------------------|
| BASIC FEE | | | | | | 790.00 |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 20 | | 20 | 0 | 50.00 | 0.00 |
| INDEPENDENT CLAIMS | 6 | | 6 | 0 | 200.00 | 0.00 |
| MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM | | | | | 360.00 | |
| | | | | Number extra must be zero or larger | TOTAL | 790.00 |
| | If Applicant is a small entity under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.9 and 1.27, then divide total fee by 2, and enter amount here. | | | | | SMALL ENTITY TOTAL 00 |

2. Please charge the required RCE and submission filing fee of \$790.00 to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon LLP**, deposit account number **11-0600**.
3. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of any additional fees required, associated with this communication or arising during the pendency of this application, or to credit any overpayment, to the deposit account of **Kenyon & Kenyon LLP**, deposit Account No. **11-0600**.
4. A duplicate of this transmittal form is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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